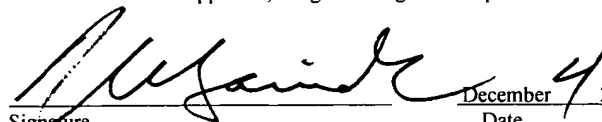


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Dear Sir:

The Examiner has set forth two groups between which Applicants have been requested to make an election for further prosecution in this application: Group A (mechanical apparatus having moving parts) designated as Claims 2-4, 15-17, 25-28, and 38-40; and Group B (laser

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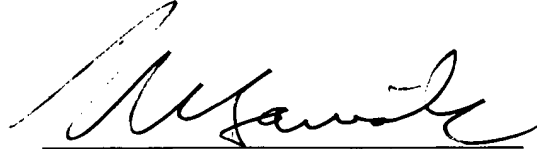
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projection device) designated as Claims 21-24, 29-33, and 44-46. Applicants elect Group A,
Claims 2-4, 15-17, 25-28 and 38-40 for continued prosecution at this time.

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Respectfully submitted,

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